

**FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT
And DECISION RECORD
ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT #OR-035-03-07**

The Baker Resource Area of the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) Vale District has analyzed a proposal for construction of minimally developed campgrounds along Hells Canyon Reservoir. The proposed project sets forth land treatment activities designed to reduce shoreline soil compaction, improve riparian health and reduce the impacts to wildlife while protecting and enhancing recreation resource values. The attached Environmental Assessment contains a detailed description and analysis of two action alternatives and a no action alternative. This EA was prepared under the guidance provided by the Baker Resource Management Plan. There would be positive impacts to the overall human environment with few, if any, negative impacts. In relation to context, the project's affected region is localized and the effects of implementation are limited to the area affected by the project. This is particularly true in light of the mitigation measures adopted into the project specifications. In relation to intensity or severity, mitigation measures have been designed to protect public health and safety. Further, no unique characteristics are involved, there are no highly uncertain, unique or unknown risks, and the project does not set a precedent for future actions that could have significant effects. The action also does not appear to be related to any other action that could be significant, there will be no impacts to sites that could be listed on the National Register of Historic Places, no scientific, cultural or historic resources will be lost, and there will be no violation of any law or requirement protecting the environment. There will be no irretrievable or irreversible commitment of resources as a result of the proposed action. I have determined, based upon the analysis of environmental impacts contained in the referenced EA that the potential impacts raised by the proposed project will not be significant and that preparation of an environmental impact statement is not required.

s/Ted Davis, Acting

July 30, 2003

Baker Resource Area Field Manager

Date